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SUBJ: IVP

FOR CU/NEA NEWBERRY FROM VERNER

1. MISSION IV SELECTION COMMITTEE HAS PREPARED OUR LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR FY 76 IV PROGRAM. UNFORTUNATELY THE IMPASSE BETWEEN US AND AFGHANS REGARDING METHOD OF SELECTION CONTINUES. THIS MEANS AGAIN THIS YEAR WE WILL, OF NECESSITY, BE GROPING THROUGH PROCESS OF GETTING IV'S ON ROAD. WE NEED YOUR HELP. HOPEFULLY YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ACCOMODATE OUR NEEDS, BASED ON FOLLOWING PROPOSAL.

2. WE PLAN TO PROCEED MUCH AS WE DID LAST YEAR. THAT IS, WE WILL APPROACH THE INDIVIDUAL, THEN HIS MINISTER, THEN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. ONCE WE HAVE AGREEMENT FROM THE AFGHANS WE WILL CABLE CU ALL PERTINENT DATA INCLUDING ADDITIONAL BIO, TRAVEL DATES, INTERESTS AND SO ON. IF ANYONE ON OUR LIST FALLS OUT WE WILL GO TO THE ALTERNATIVES WE HAVE SELECTED.

3. BEFORE PROCEDURE STARTS, HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS TO TENTATIVE LIST PRINCIPAL CANDIDATES. WE SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT GRANTS NOT BE WRITTEN AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAINTY OF AFGHAN AGREEMENT RE ANY SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL. GRANTS WUHOULD BE WRITTEN WHEN WE HAVE AGREEMENT FROM GOA AND AT THE SAME TIME WE WILL SUPPLY THE NECESSARY NAMES OF TWO ALTERNATES FOR EACH PRINCIPAL. WE ARE AWARE TYAT THIS IS SOMEWHAT UNFORTHODOX VARIATION ON

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NORMAL IV PROCEDURES, BUT BELIEVE THEY WILL BE WORKABLE. WE

ARE STARTING PROCESS EARLY THIS YEAR AND HOPE ALL SLOTS WE HAVE  
WILL BE FIRMLY COMMITTED BEFORE CUT-OFF DATE FOR COMMITTING  
GRANT MONIES.

4. ADVISE SOONEST IF CU HAS ANY OBJECTION ANY FOLLOWING  
PRINCIPAL CANDIDATES;

- A. NAABI, ALAM, GOVERNOR OF BALKH PROVINCE
- B) AZIM, MOHAMMAD, GENERAL, INSP GENERAL MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE
- C) TOUFIQI, M HASHEM, PRESIDENT OF INDUSTRIES, MINISTRY OF  
MINES AND INDUSTRIES
- D) ALI, PARWEEN, MRS, ASST DIRECTOR PUBLICATIONS OF AFGHAN FAMILY  
GUIDANCE ASSOCIATION; PROFESSIONAL JOURNALIST.
- E) KAZEM, ABDULLAH, DR, DEAN FACULTY OF ECONOMICS, KABUL UNIV.
- F) NAYAR, HASSAN, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION, RADIO AFGHANISTAN

5. SINCE WE ARE PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT WE WILL HAVE 7 IVP  
GRANTS AS WE DID LAST YEAR, WE PROPOSE ZVO USE THE FINAL GRANT  
TO SUPPORT PROPOSAL A3 OF THE CU PORTION OF THE CP. WE WILL NOT  
BILL THIS GRANT AN AN IV. IT IS ENVISIONED THAT A LEADING  
AFGHAN JOURNALIST WOULD TRAVEL TO THE US TO REPORT ON BI-  
CENTENNIAL AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE AMERICAN SCENE. WE  
WILL ASK USIA TO SUPPLY FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE AS NECESSARY AN  
APPROPRIATE.

6. ADVISE.  
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